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## SOME OF THE QUESTIONS ASKED BY REV. MARSH

Are Promptly Answered in a Straight-Forward Way

Under Prohibition Decent Saloons are Destroyed,  
While Dives are Created in Their Places.

Rev. Marsh, who is at the head of the Anti-Saloon forces in Stark county, puts a number of questions, which are answered below:

Ask him if he can defend the saloon on moral grounds?

Answer—Yes, just as we can defend clubs, associations, parties, private or public, at which men congregate for the purposes of mutual recreation and social intercourse. No one defends the dive. But the dive is not the saloon, any more than the cancer on a human body is the body itself.

Ask him if the average saloon is run according to law.

Answer—As to the average saloon, it is run according to the law as strictly as any other business subjected to the same conditions, and probably more strictly. Those saloonkeepers that violate the law, do so, as every other citizen does merely because the existing laws are not properly enforced, and a law that isn't enforced is not only equivalent to no law, but is worse than no law, because it breeds in the best of men a contempt for all law, and because it places a premium upon fraud, and blackmail, and corruption, and all the other iniquities to which the retail liquor traffic of the country is notoriously subjected.

Ask him if the saloon is a benefit to mankind morally, socially or intellectually?

Answer—A properly conducted saloon is undoubtedly such a benefit, and if same laws were not only enacted but enforced, every saloon would be so. Under prohibition or local option the case is reversed, because under the conditions brought about by prohibition every decent saloon is destroyed and two dives created in its place.

Ask him if he takes his wife, mother, or sister with him when he visits the saloon?

Answer—Probably not. But why doesn't he? Because men are made hypocrites and dissemblers by the pangs of fanaticism that prevails in the country. In Germany, France and other European countries men take their women to these places, and their character is stamped accordingly.

Ask him why the saloon is so generally recognized as the incubator of crime and criminals?

Answer—Who says so? Search the criminal dockets of dry communities in Maine, Georgia, Alabama and other states. The farcical nature of the assertion that the saloon breeds the criminal will be found exposed in those dockets.

Ask him why the authorities agree that the saloon is the recruiting station for jails, prisons and asylums?

Answer—It is only too well known that the authorities do not agree on this subject. If they did, the nation today would not be convulsed from one end to the other by dissension and differences of opinion on this very subject.

Ask him why it is when a crime is committed the saloons are always searched for the criminals?

Answer—Because criminals trying to escape from justice don't as a rule sit down on the public square waiting for the policeman to arrest them. Saloons, which are the congregating places of the male community, are not the only places where criminals are seized, as you can see for yourself any day by reading the daily newspaper.

Ask him why every court in the land has time and again sounded a warning against saloons and has upheld laws giving the people the right to abolish them?

Answer—Courts have not sounded warnings against saloons, but against the evildoers who are permitted to use the saloon as a convenient blind to carry on nefarious practices of a character totally distinct from and foreign to the saloon business proper. As for upholding laws giving the people the right to abolish saloons, no one questions the rights of the people, and the courts have no option but to uphold such right.

Ask him why the supreme court of the United States has held that no man has an inherent right to run a saloon and sell intoxicants?

Answer—The Supreme court has done no such thing. It has simply decided that the law has the right to regulate the liquor traffic, even to the extent, if the people so decide, of abolishing it altogether. This applies not only to the liquor traffic, but to any other traffic, and is based upon the vital principle of our constitution that the sovereignty of the people is supreme.

Ask him if he wants his son, brother, or father to become a regular patron of the saloon?

Answer—A thousand times rather than see him become a regular patron of the blind tiger and speak easy.

Ask him why, if the saloon is a good thing, the country has no use for its product?

Answer—Ask me something easier. Is this a conundrum?

Ask him why the saloon business is conducted behind screens and painted windows, if it is a safe and sane business?

Answer—Because the Anti-Saloon League makes hypocrites and cowards of otherwise upright and honest men, and if it succeeds in forcing the saloons out and the blind tigers in, they will make them criminals in addition.

Ask him why, if the saloon is a good institution, the state of Ohio taxes it and restricts it to further provide against the evils arising therefrom?

Answer—Everyone knows this is a fiction. The saloon is taxed as a convenient revenue producing measure, and its excessive taxation is notoriously one of the causes of such evils as occasionally creep into it.

In an interview published in the Chicago Daily News, Admiral Evans, in recounting an incident on the Iowa in which he was severely injured said:

"CONTRARY TO MY REPUTATION I HAD NOT TAKEN A DRINK IN FIVE YEARS, BUT WHEN I REGAINED CONSCIOUSNESS THE DOCTOR WAS STANDING OVER ME WITH A GLASS OF FINE FRENCH BRANDY. I DRANK IT AND WHEN HE ASKED ME HOW I FELT, I REPLIED THAT I FELT LIKE A GENTLEMAN FOR THE FIRST TIME IN FIVE YEARS."—REAR-ADMIRAL ROBLEY D. EVANS.

## MAHONING COUNTY GOES WET BY 1,969

The Election Was Orderly--The Result is Pleasing

Preparations Now Commenced for the Fight in  
Stark County--To Vote in July.

Special to Stark County Democrat.

Youngstown, O., June 9.—Mahoning county, where one of the fiercest "wet" and "dry" battles ever heard of took place, resulted in an overwhelming victory for the "wets." An unofficial count of the vote shows that the "wets" carried the county by 1,969. In this city the "wet" vote amounted to 7972, while the vote for the dry and was 5301, every precinct in the city except the Third giving a majority for the "wets."

During the early hours of the evening the Diamond was packed with a mass of people, anxious to learn the result of the contest. While there was considerable cheering during the receiving of the returns, no trouble of any kind resulted.

The election was conducted in an ordinary manner. The chief of police

had all the members of his department on duty at the different polling places, but there were no arrests.

The people of Stark county will next be given an opportunity to vote upon the question. The "wets" have decided to take the initiative. Wednesday petition blanks for signatures were placed in the hands of committeemen in all parts of the county and it is expected that the 10,000 signatures will be secured in a few days. The election will likely be held between July 10 and 15. Superintendent Marsh of the Anti-Saloon league, advises the "drys" to keep their names off these petitions. It is thought that Stark will give a greater "wet" majority than Mahoning did.

## RAVENNA WILL HAVE BIG HOME COMING WEEK

Ravenna, O., June 8.—Home-coming week at Ravenna, August 24, 25, 26, will assemble a host of former residents, several of whom are prominent in the affairs of the nation.

Justice William R. Day of the United States supreme court, will address the citizens of his native town. Judge Day was born, reared, educated and admitted to the bar in Ravenna, where he practiced law for several years before going to Canton.

A letter from William Henry Howe, the animal painter, promises his presence. Sylvester V. Dunham, president of the Travelers' Insurance company, of Hartford, Conn., also will return. Alphonso Hart of Washington, formerly lieutenant governor of Ohio, will also be present.

Among the featured attractions will

be a daily balloon ascension with parachute leap by a young woman aviator, J. H. Wade, Jr., of Cleveland, will also be here and make an ascension with Pierce H. Lonergan of Ravenna.

The story of "Blinky" Morgan will be revived by the exhibition of the car in which the famous bandit and his confederates rescued "Kid" Munn, killed Detective Hurligan and desperately wounded Captain Hoehm, at Ravenna in February, 1887. In a fraternal, industrial and military parade 2500 men will participate.

There will be a grand pioneer ball and a Mardi Gras festival. The pulpit of each Ravenna church will be occupied by a former pastor on the Sunday preceding the opening of the big reunion. Preparations are being made to entertain 25,000 people.

## FINDS HUSBAND'S BODY DANGLING FROM A ROPE

Levi Yoder, Amish Sugar Creek Farmer, Tires of Life and Hangs Himself From Rafter in Barn.

Canal Dover, O., June 8.—Tired of life and discouraged, Levi Yoder, a member of the Amish church, ended his life today by tying a rope around his neck and jumping from a haymow.

Yoder, aged 24, lived on a farm, with his wife and little baby, about half a mile from Sugar Creek, on the Canal Dover road.

Early this morning Mrs. Yoder took her child and went to Sugar Creek to do some shopping, leaving her husband alone on the farm. She returned about 1:30 o'clock this afternoon. A thorough search of the house failed

to locate Yoder, so Mrs. Yoder walked out to the barn, thinking he may have been working there.

Suspended from a rafter, she saw the body of her husband dangling in the air, cold in death. Terror stricken, she fled from the barn and alarmed the neighbors.

Immediately Dr. Syler of Sugar Creek was summoned. He made an examination of Yoder's body, declaring that life had been extinct for about an hour.

Yoder had been married a year and belonged to a prominent family.

## ALLIANCE DOCTORS AND DRUGGISTS UNDER FIRE

Columbus, O., June 8.—Atlee Pomerehne appeared as attorney for B. E. Vale and W. W. Mowrer, Alliance druggists, whose certificates were cancelled by the state pharmacy board for selling cocaine illegally, when the case came up in appeal before Governor Harmon and Attorney General Denman yesterday afternoon.

The developments brought out the fact that the attention of this matter has been called to the state medical board and that board will have two prominent physicians of Alliance before it at its July meeting on charges connected with this case.

Druggist Vale testified that the alleged irregular prescriptions upon which this cocaine was sold were issued by Dr. Nelson and Dr. Tressel—the latter now dead. In some of these prescriptions it was said the name of

the person to whom it was issued was not given.

Governor Harmon was very anxious to know what physicians gave the prescriptions in which the name was omitted.

Druggist Vale did not have the prescriptions with him, but promised to get them and place them in the hands of the governor.

Dr. Frost, secretary of the state pharmacy board, who conducted that side of the cases, made much out of the fact that the prescriptions did not carry the directions, but read merely "take as directed," but Governor Harmon did not think much of that. He had been given many prescriptions of that kind himself.

The druggists said that they recognized the names of the physicians attached to the prescriptions in question as prominent and reputable.

## BEGINNING TO CARVE CLOSER TO THE LINE

The Scriptures Do Not Teach Prohibition of Liquor

The Savior Himself Made a Quantity of Wine to Be Used at a Wedding Feast He Attended.

Mr. Editor: Mr. Higby is beginning to cut close to the line and he may get on the right side of the liquor question if he continues long enough in the direction he is now going.

Admitting, as he does, that the scriptures do not teach the prohibition of wines and liquors, he only needs to come out boldly and say that the Bible teaches the manufacture, sale and use, as a blessing, then he will be on a solid platform and on the right side. As an example, when Isaac blessed his son Jacob he did it in these words: "And God give thee of the day of heaven, and of the fatness of the earth, and plenty of corn and wine."

When Rebekah had surrounded Jerusalem with his army and found the walls too strong for him, he tried persuasion to have them capitulate, saying, "I come and take you to a land like your own land, a land of corn and wine." 2nd Kings, 18:32.

So in Prov. 3:9-10, we read, "Honor the Lord with thy substance, and with the first fruit of thy increase, so shall thy barns be filled with plenty and thy fats shall overflow with new wine."

So also Prov. 31:6-7. "Give strong drink unto him that is ready to perish, and wine to the bitter in soul, let him drink and forget his poverty and remember his misery no more." Also, "A feast is for laughter and wine maketh glad the life." Eccl. 10:19. So in Luke 17:28-29, we read, "In like manner also as it was in the days of Lot, they ate, they drank, they bought, they sold, they planted, they builded, but the same day that Lot went out it rained fire and brimstone from heaven and destroyed them all." Even thus shall it be, in the day that the Son of man is revealed.

This last would indicate that terrible trouble will come when the prohibitions get the drink removed, as it will stay until the time that the Son of Man is revealed.

Drunkness is perhaps forbidden in the scriptures, for a consistent Christian, but that was a condition of a person entirely overcome, and not the merry condition, and when the Saviour made over three barrels and a half of good wine, to be used at a marriage feast attended by himself and His disciples, he stamped all prohibition doctrine from His true church, for to settle all controversy the Saviour said in Luke, 3:39, "No man also having drunk old wine desireth new, for he saith, the old is better."

The revised version cuts out the word "Straightway," and the governor of the marriage feast said something about keeping the good wine till now, and he was a man, so the wine must have been like the old. So it is perfectly safe for Mr. Higby to come out boldly. Let him con-

demn the drunkard if he must, but not the drink.

The Alliance Leader came out last week with a Russell sermon, and thus old Stark is invaded by a doctrine that will call the attention of the old mossback, "Perpetual torment," hell fire, "immortal soul," preachers to a new enemy that is destined to knock their "Never dying soul," christianity into innocuous desuetude, and then where will the Prohibits send the lost souls of the poor drunkards, for the saving of which they are ready to sacrifice the prosperity of the nation and all other peoples property? There is surely a Nemesis on the spoor of the church gone into politics, and something out of the ordinary may be looked for in the near future.

The present revival of business is undoubtedly on account of the building boom, and for a time the outlet for money will be along that line, as it was in the days of Lot, but to look for railroad building, which is the great iron consumer, is like looking for stars in the rain. Companies will not build roads as long as their cars are idle on the roads now built. So that a person who will work for and vote for the abolition of the greatest industry in the whole world, and especially in this country, at a time like this, or indeed any time, is a traitor to his country, the Bible, and his fellow men. Mr. Bumble says the law is "an ass," and he is about right. It was once defined as a rule commanding what is right and prohibiting what is wrong, but now it is often what the lobby and its money can make a majority of the lawmakers believe is for the best interest of themselves and the next campaign, so that it is a kind of a cross like a rate, which is a close relation to the ass. The liquor laws are not so much to prevent wrong as to collect fines and costs, and so they make the owner liable for what the tenant does, and suspend exemption laws, as against such fines and costs, for acts that were right and lawful for over six thousand years past, and they add search and seizure laws, making it as complete an inquisition law, as any of the dark ages can boast of. They are reform laws for revenue only.

Mr. Dustman, of the Anti-Liquor league, in the Midland, tells the people what women did in making the state dry, and the advantage they had. It is well known that they have the advantage as they get the meeting houses, that they did not pay for, free, to hold meetings in, and they can force the preachers to help. Sixty-six per cent of the church members are women, and they march in the crusade or parade for the novelty of the thing. They do not think, they only repeat, like a parrot, and act like a jumping jack when the string is pulled, and by

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## THREATEN LYNCHING

TROOPS MAY BE ORDERED TO  
PROTECT MEN NOW IN  
KENTUCKY JAIL.

Lexington, Ky., June 8.—Gov. Smith and Ellisha Smith, brothers, and Levi Johnson were arrested this afternoon, charged with the attempted murder of Ed. Callahan and his son.

All are in the Jackson jail tonight, and troops will be asked for, as it is feared Callahan men will storm the jail and lynch them.

Members of both clans are all armed and are hurrying to Jackson tonight for an expected fight.

The arrested men were trailed for miles by bloodhounds.

Callahan is still alive. The sheriff is also looking for Asberry Spicer and John Smith, brothers of the arrested men who eloped with Callahan's wife.

Mrs. Taft Saves Life.

Washington, June 6.—Through a direct appeal to her husband, Mrs. Taft has saved the life of a Russian named Perovitch who was convicted of murder and sentenced to death in Alaska. He made an appeal for clemency. Taft was not inclined to grant it until his wife pleaded with him. Then he commuted it to life imprisonment.

In the matter of the will of James M. Hazard of Lexington township, the will was filed for probate.

## DANCES SIX HOURS AND WEARS OUT PUMPS

New York, June 8.—Fred Newman, asserting that he is the "champion flatfooted long distance waltzer in the United States," has issued a deft to the rest of the Marathon dancers.

When not waltzing Mr. Newman drives a bakery wagon. At such times he discards his pride and pose and becomes a very democratic young person.

In achieving one of these diamond medals Fred Newman danced 42 couples and a band of 14 pieces into a swoon. He danced without missing a step for 5 hours and 53 minutes.

He danced the soles off his pumps and the reinforced bottoms from his socks. His partner, Miss Emma Martin, fainted in Fred's arms twice during the last hour.

## COMMISSIONERS SETTLE ALL SHEEP CLAIMS

The county commissioners have completed their consideration of sheep claims and have allowed forty-two, ranging in amounts from \$6 to \$164.50.

The total sum allowed for damage to sheep is \$1,731.50, while the fees of witnesses adds \$124.05, making a total expense to the county of \$1,855.55.

The claims allowed were apportioned among the different townships as follows: Tuscarawas, 6; Washington, 1; Sugar Creek, 2; Sandy, 1; Plain, 2; Pike, 4; Perry, 4; Osnaburg, 6; Mari-boro, 1; Lexington, 5; Lawrence, 3; Bethlehem, 3; Canton, 1; Jackson, 3; and Lake 1.

## PHYSICIANS ARE NAMED

INFIRMARY DIRECTORS GIVE OUT  
LIST OF DOCTORS WHO WILL  
TAKE CARE OF INDI-  
GENT POOR.

The infirmary directors met in regular session at the infirmary Tuesday afternoon. The session was practically confined to allowing a number of bills. The list allowed included the bills for the institution and also those for outside doctor bills.

The directors have also completed the list of the physicians they have selected to look after the indigent poor in their respective townships. Every township now has a physician for this purpose except one, Sandy township, while some have two.

The names of the townships with the physicians who have been appointed follow:

Pike township, Dr. W. H. Becher; Lake township, Dr. L. E. Daugherty; Tuscarawas township, Drs. Joseph Gardner and Frank Kuntz; Jackson township, Dr. George Durmire; Sugar Creek township, Dr. O. C. Reckeser; Bethlehem township, Dr. George Campbell; Washington township, Dr. W. S. Taylor; Paris township, Dr. J. E. Wagner and Arthur Thomas; Nimishillen township, Dr. J. H. Rogers; Perry township, Dr. S. B. Williamson; Lawrence township, Dr. E. K. Jones and A. E. Williams; Canton township, Dr. W. A. Becher; Osnaburg township, Dr. G. Davis and A. Busby; Plain township, Dr. J. B. Daugherty; Lexington township, Dr. L. A. Crawford; and Mari-boro township, Dr. Frank Kennoch.

## SUES ALLIANCE FOR BIG SUM FOR INJURIES

At the close of Monday's session of Judge Harter's court the case of James A. Davis against the city of Alliance and E. A. Freshwater and sons, was continued until Tuesday at 8 o'clock.

The plaintiff is asking damages in the sum of \$1950 for an injury to a son, who accidentally fell into a ditch that was dug and left unguarded by the defendants.

The case will be ready for the argument of counsel some time Wednesday morning.

The case of Lillian Bell, charges P. S. Ehret with forcible detention of property before Justice Barrick will be given a jury trial soon.